



MD-CW2407

Maryland

Weekly Crop and Weather Report



September 4, 2007

Still Too Dry

Still very dry and we are getting some reports of insect infestation. **There were 6.6 days suitable for field work.** **Corn** and **soybeans** are in very poor to good condition. **Potato** harvest is ahead of schedule with 95 percent harvested compared with 79 percent last year and 85 percent for the five-year average. Third cutting of **alfalfa hay** is 93 percent complete and a fourth cutting is 42 percent complete.

Apples were rated 2 percent poor, 13 percent fair, and 85 percent good. **Apples** are 47 percent harvested and **Peaches** are 96 percent harvested.

Pasture was rated 16 percent very poor, 34 percent poor, 31 percent fair, 18 percent good, and 1 percent excellent while **hay supplies** were rated 29 percent very short, 44 percent short, 23 percent adequate, and 4 percent surplus.

MARYLAND'S CROP PROGRESS FOR WEEK ENDING SEPTEMBER 2, 2007

Item		This Week	Last Week	Last Year	Five Year Average
Percent					
<u>Field Crops</u>					
Corn	Dent	80	63	85	66
	Mature	27	14	50	33
Harvested for Grain		5	3	3	3
Soybeans	Setting Pods	86	76	91	80
	Turning Color	9	3	16	11
<u>Hay</u>					
Alfalfa Hay	3 rd Cutting	93	92	90	86
	4 th Cutting	42	38	41	30
Other Hay	3 rd Cutting	45	40	50	53
	4 th Cutting	6	3	5	5
<u>Vegetables Harvested</u>					
Cantaloups		88	82	84	84
Cucumbers		85	80	80	78
Lima Beans		51	46	78	56
Potatoes		95	90	79	85
Snap Beans		86	80	87	88
Sweet Corn		92	88	88	88
Tomatoes		82	72	80	77
Watermelons		89	82	80	82
<u>Fruits Harvested</u>					
Apples		47	43	47	33
Peaches		96	72	96	92

SOIL MOISTURE CONDITION FOR WEEK ENDING SEPTEMBER 2, 2007

Condition by Percent	Topsoil Moisture			Subsoil Moisture		
	This Week	Last Week	5 Year Average	This Week	Last Week	5 Year Average
Very Short	18	20	-	26	27	-
Short	36	27	-	42	45	-
Adequate	46	51	-	32	28	-
Surplus	-	2	-	-	-	-

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WEATHER SUMMARY FOR THE WEEK ENDING SEPTEMBER 2, 2007

	Precipitation ¹			Temperatures			
Weather Station	Total this week	Total Since Jan 1	Departure from Normal Since Jan 1	High	Low	Average	Departure from Normal
Maryland							
Baltimore/Washington Airport	0.00	23.08	-4.80	88	57	75	2
Frederick	0.00	25.64	-1.03	87	56	73	5
Frostburg	0.53	30.30	-2.87	82	49	67	3
Hagerstown	0.19	18.42	-7.90	86	56	72	2
Mechanicsville	0.00	21.80	-9.14	86	57	73	1
Patuxent River	0.00	20.74	-8.10	89	59	76	4
Ocean City	0.02	19.53	-12.09	88	58	73	1
Salisbury	0.01	20.73	-10.96	91	50	72	-2
Sharpsburg	0.01	23.72	-2.95	88	50	72	4
Stevensville	0.00	23.93	-4.94	86	57	75	3
Washington, DC (Reagan National)	0.18	21.11	-5.19	88	63	77	2
Delaware							
Dover	0.17	23.23	-6.92	85	57	73	-1
Georgetown	0.02	21.27	-9.50	90	56	74	2
Wilmington	0.00	28.81	0.81	87	55	74	2

¹ Precipitation totals as of 7 A.M. on recorded date.
Weather Data is provided by the Agricultural Weather Information Service, Auburn, Alabama and is considered preliminary.